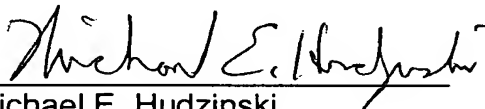


REMARKS

This application is a continuation of U.S. Serial No. 09/981,187 which was filed on October 16, 2001 as is still pending. Applicant takes this opportunity to revise certain claims of the application to bring them into better form for examination in the continuation application.

Prompt and favorable examination of pending claims 1-6 and 8-29 is respectfully requested.

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